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NEW "SCANDAL" IN CIA REVEALED

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The following is a full translation of an article under the title "The Morals of American Intelligence," published in Pravda, 5 August 1966.

"During a period of 16 years, Hans F. TOFTE worked in the US Central Intelligence Agency where he occupied a fairly high position. Tofte's work received the recognition of the British and Danish governments during World War II. During the Korean War he supervised CIA operations in South Korea and Japan.

"In Tofte's opinion, his past services entitled him to express his personal opinion. However, the experienced spy was deeply mistaken. After the appointment of Helms as CIA director, replacing the retired Raborn, Tofte, although he was a personal friend of Helms, was careless enough to express his disagreement with this appointment. He soon had to pay for it.

"Tofte's home, which he intended to sell, was visited by another secret CIA agent, Kenneth R. SLOCUM, who claimed to be a potential "buyer." The 86-year old mother-in-law of Tofte was in the house and the experienced CIA agent had no trouble fooling her. Slocum "discovered" in one of the secluded corners of the house some "secret materials" which Tofte had taken home from the CIA without permission. Another visit by CIA representatives followed. They took away the "secret materials," and escorted Tofte to CIA headquarters. Tofte claims that his position entitled him to take some materials home to work on them.

"It would seem that this was an ordinary matter, where one spy tries to retaliate against another one, and it might have gone unnoticed if it had not been for one circumstance. It appears that the CIA agents who visited Tofte's house had noticed not only the "secret materials," but also some valuables. The latter disappeared from the house. The police were alerted. However, the police are at a loss. They are unable to investigate the theft, in which CIA agents turned out to be involved. The extent of the theft is quite considerable, i.e., the stolen valuables are worth a total of about 30,000 dollars."

[Another article on the Tofte case, entitled "Agents or Burglars," appeared in Izvestiya, 7 August 1966, and was translated in the FBIS Daily Report, 11 August 1966.]